## **Harrisonburg Police Department**

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# News Release

### **HPD Invites the Community to a Bicycle Safety Rodeo**

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The Harrisonburg Police Department will soon partner with several other agencies to support bicycle safety in the community.

On Monday, Oct. 3, a Bike Safety Rodeo will be held at Waterman Elementary School on the outdoor track. The event will begin at 4 p.m. and end around 6 p.m.

The Department encourages children and others in the community to ride to the event or bring a bicycle and a helmet.

Participants will be able to have their helmet properly fitted, learn basic bicycle maintenance, and ride through a bicycle course on the track.

Bicycle officers with HPD will also be on hand to discuss rules of the road.

"Teaching children bicycle safety at an early age will be valuable for our community in the future," said D.A.R.E. Officer Mike Gangloff. "We want to teach them safe habits now, which we hope in turn they teach their friends and relatives."

HPD, Safe Kids Central Shenandoah Valley, Waterman Elementary School, and Shenandoah Bicycle are all partners for this event.

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